



Barry County Substance Abuse Task Force

“Working Together for a Drug Free Community”

# Partnership Building Strategies

## Our Mission:

The mission of the Barry County Substance Abuse Task Force is to prevent, reduce, and address the consequences of existing and emerging substance use and abuse issues through collaborative efforts for youth and adults in our community.





The Barry County Substance Abuse Task Force (SATF) and its many partners recognized the need to increase access to proper medication disposal.

- 2011 Survey of Older Adults: 37% reported participation in proper disposal
- 2012 Community Interviews: Medicine Abuse a growing concern
- 2013 Community Survey: Medicine Abuse high concern; 93% knowledge of disposal
- 2014 MiPHY Data: 30 day youth use decreasing from 2010

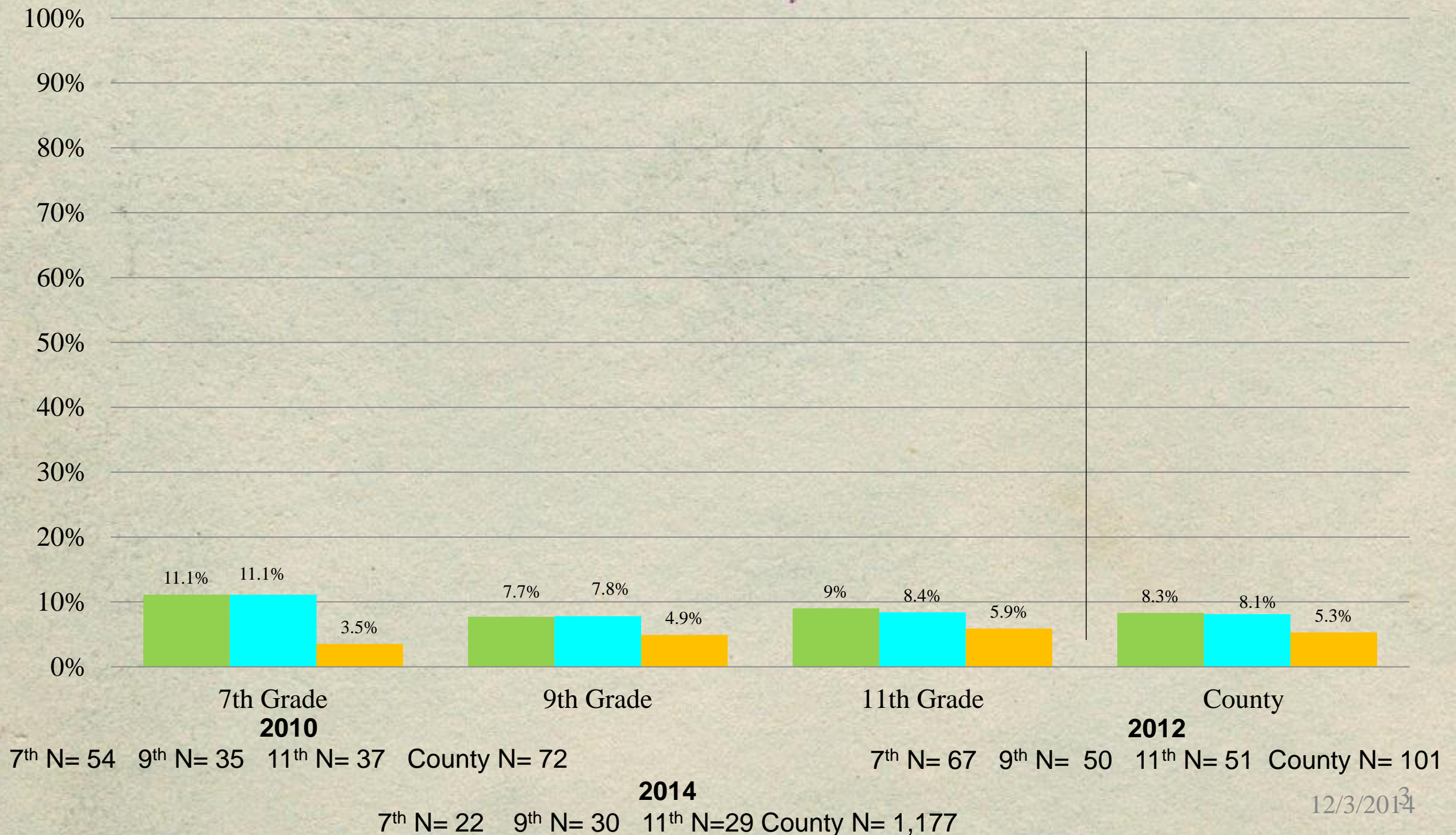
### Engaging Partners:

- Learn from others; regional sharing
- Solid Waste Oversight Committee
- Law Enforcement
- Older Adults and agencies serving this population
- Public Health, Pharmacists, Healthcare Providers
- Parents, Youth, Volunteers



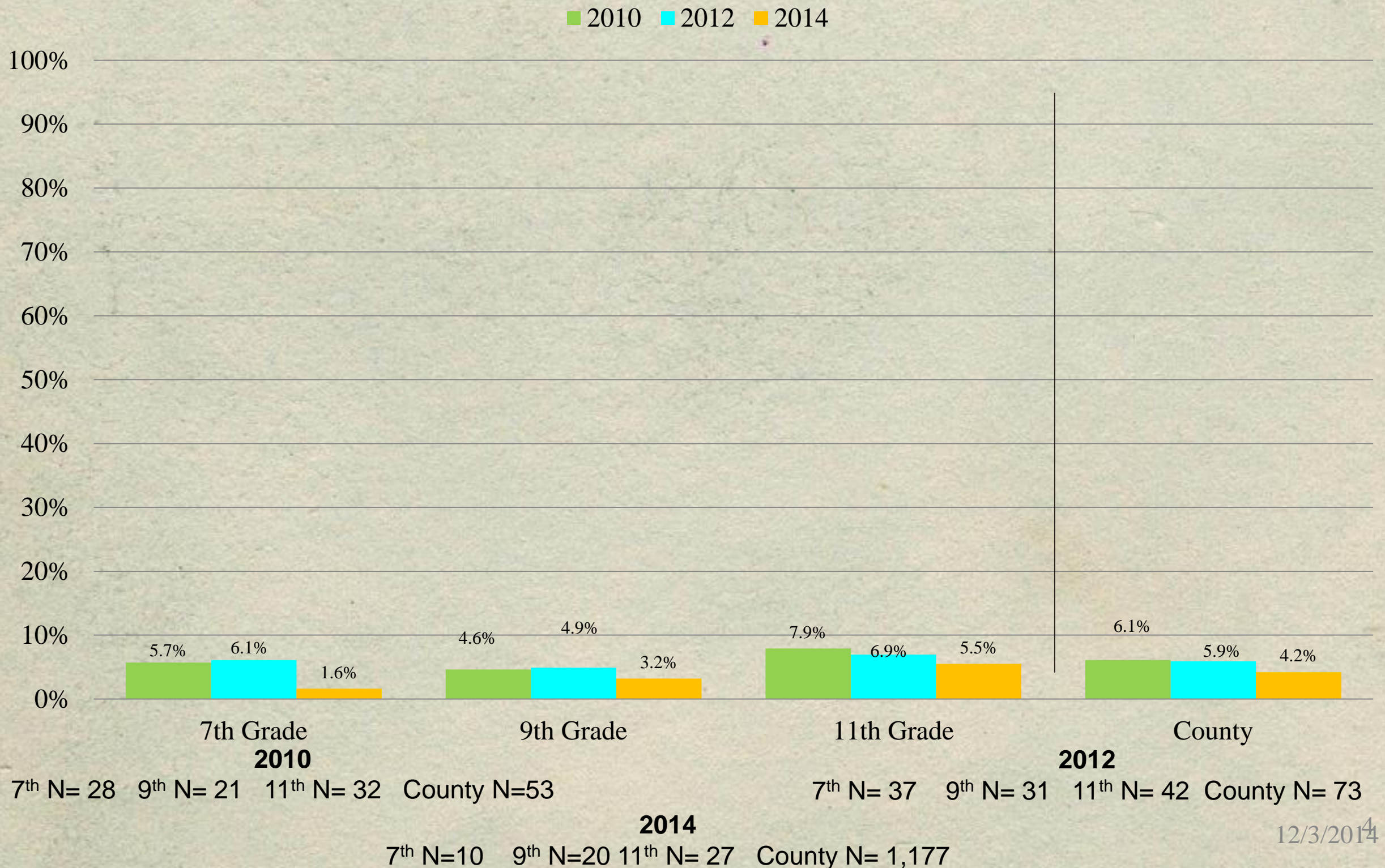
# % of students who took **painkillers** such as OxyContin, Codeine, Vicodin, or Percocet, without a doctor's prescription during the past 30 days

■ 2010 ■ 2012 ■ 2014





# % of students who took a **prescription drug** such as Ritalin, Adderall, or Xanax without a doctor's prescription during the past 30 days.





# Partnering for Success:



- Household Hazardous Waste Collection; 2 events per year, with Medicine Take Back Projects
- Establishment of 8 participating Pharmacy Collection sites (non-controlled; in transition currently)
- Installation of 4 permanent law enforcement collection locations
- Increasing medicine collection totals and event participation
  - HHWC: 43% of participants bring medications
    - 2014: collected 1409 lbs. of non-controlled meds
    - 2013: collected 717 lbs. of non-controlled meds
  - Pharmacy Totals: 1,758+ lbs (January 2011-present)
  - Law Enforcement Totals: 907 lbs (September 2012-present)
- Successfully transitioning with DEA changes





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